AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A method of ~~providing~~ compiling identity and contact information of one or more senior business managers ~~data~~ in a distributed computer system, comprising the steps of:

   a) locating ~~files~~ within said distributed computer system files that contain said identity and contact information of said one or more senior business managers ~~data~~;

   b) parsing said files to extract said identity and contact information of said one or more senior business managers ~~data~~; ~~and~~

   c) ~~transferring said extracted business data to an interested party~~ evaluating a tense related to said identity and contact information of said one or more business managers; and

   d) discarding or selecting said identity and contact information of said one or more senior business managers based on said evaluating step.

2. (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, further comprising the step of evaluating said files ~~containing said business data~~ to determine a confidence level of finding a subset of said identity and contact information of senior business managers ~~data~~.

3. (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, further comprising the step of evaluating said files ~~containing said business data~~ to determine a confidence level of finding said identity and contact information of senior business managers ~~data~~.

4. (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, further comprising the step of evaluating said files ~~containing said business data~~ to determine a confidence level of finding a set of keywords in said files ~~containing~~ that relate to said identity and contact information of senior business managers ~~data~~.

5. (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising the step of locating said files ~~are located~~ on corporate websites.

6.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising the step of locating said files ~~are located~~ on magazine websites.

5   7.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising the step of locating said files ~~are located~~ on newspaper websites.

8.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising the step of locating said files ~~are located on~~ press release websites.

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9.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising the step of locating said files ~~are located~~ on professional websites.

10.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising the step of locating said files ~~are located~~ on association websites.

11.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising the step of locating said files ~~are located~~ using a publicly accessible search engine.
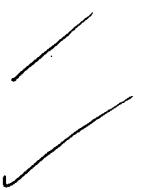
20   12.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising the step of locating said files ~~are located~~ using a custom designed spider.

13.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising the step of locating said files ~~are located~~ by selecting one or more links in said

25   computer distributed system.

14.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 13, ~~wherein~~ further comprising the step of selecting said one or more links ~~are selected~~ based on their proximity to a set of keywords.

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15.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising the step of locating said files ~~are located~~ using a previously generated list of said files.

16.   (Cancelled).

17.   (Cancelled).

18.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising the step of locating ~~comprises the step of~~ said files using one or more tags ~~to locate said files containing said business data~~.

19.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, ~~wherein~~ further comprising the step of ~~parsing comprises the step of~~ extracting said identity and contact information of said one or more senior business managers using one or more tags ~~to extract said business data~~.

20.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, further comprising the step of creating a concordance table ~~of~~ for associating said identity and contact information of said one or more senior business ~~managers data~~ with a rating system.

21.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 20, further comprising the step of ~~rating and~~ bounding said identity and contact information of said one or more senior business ~~managers data~~ by identifying certain localized content groupings around said identity and contact information of said one or more senior business managers.

22.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, ~~wherein said step of parsing comprises~~ further comprising the step of extracting said identity and contact information of said one or more senior business managers using inclusion and exclusion characteristics ~~to extract said business data~~.

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23.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, further comprising the step of normalizing said <u>identity and contact information of said one or more senior</u> business <u>managers</u> data.

5   24.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, further comprising the step of eliminating duplicate sets of <u>identity and contact information of said one or more senior</u> business <u>managers</u> data.

25.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, further comprising the step

10   of extracting date or time stamps of said files that contain said business data.

26.   (Original) The method as set forth in claim 25, further comprising the step of evaluating said date or time stamps of said files.

15   27.   (Original) The method as set forth in claim 25, further comprising the step of evaluating said date or time stamps with date or time stamps of previously extracted files.

28.   (Currently amended) The method as set forth in claim 25, further comprising the step

20   of updating said <u>identity and contact information of said one or more senior</u> business <u>managers</u> data using said date or time stamps.

29.   (Currently amended) A program storage device accessible by a computer <u>system for</u> <u>implementing the method of claim 1</u>, tangibly embodying a program of instructions

25   executable by said computer <u>system is programmed</u> to perform method <u>the</u> steps <u>of</u> <u>claim 1</u> for compiling business, said methods steps comprising:
         (a) locating files within said distributed computer system that contain said business
              data;
         (b) parsing said files to extract said business data; and

30   (c) transferring said extracted business data to an interested party.

30.   (Currently amended) The ~~program storage device as set forth in~~ computer system of claim 29, further comprising <u>means for performing</u> the step<u>s</u> of ~~evaluating said files containing said business data to determine a confidence level of finding a subset of said business data~~ <u>claims 2-15 and 18-28</u>.

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31.   (Currently amended) ~~The program storage device as set forth in~~ <u>A computer-readable medium carrying computer-executable instructions implementing the method of</u> claim 2<s>9</s><u>1</u>~~, further comprising the step of evaluating said files containing said business data to determine a confidence level of finding said business data~~.

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32.   (Currently amended) The <u>computer-readable medium</u> ~~program storage device as set forth in~~ <u>of</u> claim 2<s>9</s><u>31</u>, further ~~comprising the step of evaluating said files containing said business data to determine a confidence level of finding a set of keywords in said files containing said business data~~ <u>comprises computer-executable instructions implementing</u> <u>claims 2-15 and 18-28</u>.

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Claims 33-84. (Cancelled).